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Dear Sir/Madam:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b), the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Submission of these references is not an admission that the references constitute prior art.

Applicant respectfully requests that these references be made of record in the above-identified application and considered by the Examiner during prosecution of the application.

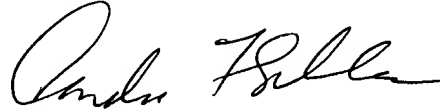
It is respectfully submitted that the present invention as claimed is patentable over the listed references.

This information disclosure statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under § 1.114. Accordingly, no fee is due.

Acknowledgment of receipt is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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